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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b) (application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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Notice of Allowability**Application No.**

09/843,536

Applicant(s)

NEWVILLE, TODD A.

Examiner

SHARAD RAMPURIA

Art Unit

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- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 07/16/2008.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-2, 6-7, 9-23 (renumbered as 1-19 respectively).
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☒ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

/Sharad Rampuria/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2617

DETAILED ACTION

Examiner's Amendment

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Faustino Lichauco (Reg. No. 41,942) on 10/26/09.

The claims have been amended as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A communication system comprising:

a stationary transceiver defining an information portal in a vicinity thereof, the stationary transceiver being disposed at a location selected from the group consisting of an elevator, a building lobby, and a vehicle; and

a local server in communication with said transceiver, said local server being configured

to respond to entry of a mobile processing-system present within said information portal, and

to provide, to said mobile processing system, data previously requested for said mobile processing system prior to entry of said mobile processing system into said information portal.

2. (Previously Presented) A communication system comprising

a stationary transceiver defining an information portal in a vicinity thereof;

a local server in communication with said transceiver, said local server being configured

to identify and respond to a mobile processing-system present within said information portal, and

to perform a function on the basis of the identity of said mobile processing-system, said function being selected from the group consisting of:

permitting building access to a portion of said building; and

controlling an elevator in said building.

3.-5. (Cancelled)

6. **(Original)** The communication system of claim 2, further comprising an access control unit in communication with said local server, said access control unit being controlled by said local server on the basis of the identity of said mobile processing-system.
7. **(Original)** The communication system of claim 1, wherein said stationary transceiver is selected from the group consisting of a radio transceiver, an optical transceiver, an infrared transceiver, and an acoustic transceiver.
8. **(Cancelled)**
9. **(Original)** The communication system of claim 1, wherein said local server and said stationary transceiver are in communication across a local area network.

10. **(Original)** The communication system of claim 1, wherein said local server and said stationary transceiver are in wireless communication across a local area network.
11. **(Original)** The communication system of claim 1, further comprising a fulfillment server in communication with said local server, said fulfillment server having access to a wide area network.
12. **(Original)** The communication system of claim 11, wherein said local server comprises a cache for temporary accumulation of information from said fulfillment server to be relayed to said mobile processing system.
13. **(Original)** The communication system of claim 11, wherein said wide area network comprises a global computer network.
14. **(Original)** The communication system of claim 11, wherein said fulfillment server includes a user-interface for enabling a user to cause said fulfillment server to collect selected information.
15. **(Original)** The communication system of claim 14, wherein said fulfillment server is configured to provide said selected information to said local server when said local server identifies, within said information portal, a mobile processing unit associated with said user.
16. **(Original)** The communication system of claim 14, wherein said fulfillment server includes a user-interface for enabling a user to cause said fulfillment server to detect an occurrence of a condition.
17. **(Original)** The communication system of claim 16, wherein said fulfillment server is configured to provide information indicative of an occurrence of said condition to said local server when said local server identifies, within said information portal, a mobile processing unit associated with said user.

18. **(Original)** The communication system of claim 16, wherein said fulfillment server is configured to provide interactive services to said mobile processing unit.

19. **(Currently Amended)** A communication system comprising:

a plurality of stationary transceivers, each configured for wireless communication with a mobile processing system present in a corresponding information portal, the stationary transceivers being disposed at locations selected from the group consisting of an elevator, a building lobby, and a vehicle; and

a server system in communication with each of said stationary receivers, said server system having a link to a global computer network and thereby providing said mobile processing system with wireless access to said global computer network said server system including a server configured to provide, to said mobile processing system, in response to entry of said mobile processing system into an information portal, data previously requested for said mobile processing system prior to entry of said mobile processing system into said information portal.

20. **(Currently Amended)** A method for providing a mobile processing system with wireless access to a global computer network, said method comprising:

maintaining an information portal, the information portal being disposed at a location selected from the group consisting of an elevator, a building lobby, and a vehicle;

establishing wireless communication between said mobile processing system and a server system following entry of said mobile processing system into said information portal; and

causing data previously requested for said mobile processing system prior to entry of said mobile processing system into said information portal to be provided to said mobile processing system, in response to entry of said mobile processing system into said information portal.

21. A communication system comprising:

a stationary transceiver defining an information portal in a vicinity thereof, the stationary transceiver being disposed at a location selected from the group consisting of an elevator; and

a local server in communication with said transceiver, said local server being configured

to respond to entry of a mobile processing-system present within said information portal, and

to provide, to said mobile processing system, data previously requested for said mobile processing system prior to entry of said mobile processing system into said information portal.

22. A communication system comprising:

a stationary transceiver defining an information portal in a vicinity thereof, the stationary transceiver being disposed at a location selected from the group consisting of a building lobby; and

a local server in communication with said transceiver, said local server being configured

to respond to entry of a mobile processing-system present within said information portal, and

to provide, to said mobile processing system, data previously requested for said mobile processing system prior to entry of said mobile processing system into said information portal.

23. A communication system comprising:

a stationary transceiver defining an information portal in a vicinity thereof, the stationary transceiver being disposed at a location selected from the group consisting of a vehicle ; and

a local server in communication with said transceiver, said local server being configured

to respond to entry of a mobile processing-system present within said information portal, and

to provide, to said mobile processing system, data previously requested for said mobile processing system prior to entry of said mobile processing system into said information portal.

Allowable Subject Matter

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 3-5, 8 are cancelled.

Claims 1-2, 6-7, 9-23 (renumbered as 1-19 respectively) are patentable.

The entire prior-art combination **disclosed** (in the office-actions of this case) fails to anticipate or render the claimed limitations in combination with all the recited limitations of the

disclosed independent claims obvious (**viewed the entire claim as a whole**), over any of the prior art of record, alone or in combination.

Consequently, the disclosed independent claims are allowed on behalf of above-discussed reasons, and also preserved via Applicants arguments and remarks filed on 07/16/2008 as well. Since the disclosed dependent claims are dependant on one of the above independent claims, therefore they are also patentable.

Conclusion

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sharad Rampuria whose telephone number is (571) 272-7870. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F. (8:30-5 EST).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Dwayne Bost can be reached on (571) 272-7023. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/Sharad Rampuria/
Primary Examiner
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